

W.C.R.O. Will of John Randle of Lighthorne 1589.

In the name of God Amen the 27th day of June A.D.1589. I John Randle of Lighthorne in the diocese of Worcester sick of body but thanks be to God of good and perfect memory, do ordain and make this my last will & testament in manner & form following. First I commend my soul in to the hands of Almighty God, and my body to be buried in the church yard of Lighthorne aforesaid in sure & certain hope of the Resurrection of the same to life everlasting in the last day.

Item I give unto the mother church of Worcester 4d. Also to our parish church 2s.

Item I give to the five cottagers 4d. apiece. Item to my godchildren 4d. apiece. I give to my kinswoman **Alice Witham** 18s. to be delivered at eighteen years of her age.

Item I give to the other four children of my daughter Witham, four sheep to be delivered within these four years.

Item to my daughter their mother a strike of wheat.

Item I give unto my daughter **Elnor** the bushell of wheat that her husband had of me to sow.

Item I give to my son **John** a new plow ready made of my timber when he shall stand need thereof.

Item I give to my son **Thomas** 20 marks to be paid by my son **Allen**, of his own proper cost within these four years; but if he shall stand need of them sooner, to have a good part thereof as **Allen** conveniently may spare it.

Item I give to the said **Thomas** an iron bound cart, a horse and gear, and timber to make him a good plow, a cow, a bedstead, a bed and all things belongong thereto, my greatest pot, a middle cauldron, two chargers.

Item I give to my wife her chamber proper to herself, & all things belonging thereunto, that are therein.

The rest of my goods movable & unmovable (these forenamed legacies performed & my funeral discharged) I give and bequeath to my wife **Jone** and **Allen** my son, equally between them, whom I make formerly together my executors of this my Last Will and Testament to do therein as God shall give them grace, according to the true meaning thereof and they to occupy together (having the landlords leave) during their lives, equally in bearing of charges & receiving profits.

Witnesses my brother **Townsend**, and **Richard Smythe** my neighbours whom I make also mine overseers of this my last will.

Debts that are owing to me.

First **John Suffolk** 16s.

Item **John Smyth** the (formers?) brother 13s.4d.

Item **John Manton** 12d.

Proved at Worcester 29th of April 1590.